#### THE KIOWA-COMANCHE LANDS.

Interest Growing Over the Method of Entry-Various Plans.

A Variety of Questions Answered.

The interest in the Kiowa and Comanche lands to be opened this Summer under the act of Congress seems to increase as time for the date of entry approaches. Many questions are asked covering points upon which there has been

as yet no official decision.

For example, some have inquired whether the \$1.25 per acre, to be paid in case of commutation at the end of 14 months, gives a title to the land, or whether this \$1.25 per acre is in addition to the price which must be paid at the end of the homestead period of five years. In other words, must the person commuting pay \$1.25, or \$2.50, for his land? While the Secretary of the Interior has made no decision upon this point, the opinion prevails at the General Land Orfice that the proper construction of the act requires the person commuting to pay \$2.50 per acre, regarding the commutation price as additional to the regular price stated in the bill, as applicable to the land at the end of the homestead

Again, questions have been asked as to Again, questions have been asked as to whether settlers in Oklahoma who, under the original act, paid the price per acre for their lands equal to the price paid by the Government to the Indians, provided said price was not less than \$1.25 per acre, and who were left out of the benefits of the "Free Homes Act" by virtue of such payment before its pas-

weeks prior to the act opening the Kiowa-Comanche and Apache reservation, did not make these lands actually free, and not subject to the payment of the \$1.25 price, although so stated in the law. A misapprehension has arisen upon this point by the neglect to notice that the "Free Homes Act" applies to all lands to which title had been "heretofore acquired," and not to such as might here after be acquired, and, therefore, the provisions in the Kiowa and Comanche land act do not clash with the "Free Homes" when another squad comes on duty. Both of the night squads are vigilant and wakeafter be acquired, and, therefore, the pro-visions in the Kiowa and Comanche land act do not clash with the "Free Homes" law, nor make the Kiowa-Comanche land

General Land Office.

Secretary Hitchcock's absence from Washington has prevented a consultation upon the subject within the last few days, but he has returned and the matter rill be speedily taken up.

At the General Land Office opinion

seems to be as much divided as ever.

Following precedents which have heretofore governed the General Land Office,
entries have been made subsequent to actual settlement. Those persons desiring a
quarter section of land went upon it,
pitched their tents, and performed other
acts signifying their desire to settle upon
it, and then went to the local Land Oftice and made their filing, stating that
they had made settlement and wished to
avail themselves of the opportunity to acavail themselves of the opportunity to acaire the land under the specified law. nal, 64; increase at In a case like the present one it would cate, 1. Total, 66. be impossible to follow this precedent without a rush.

In order to give everyone a fair chance the lands must be opened according to publication on a given day, and then the speed with which the settlers desiring lands should move could not be controlled. The result was a Government horse-race, with the most desirable quarter sections

of land as the purse.
On the other hand, should the lands be acquired by lot, there would be no need of anyone going to Oklahoma at all. The addition drawing might just as well be made in tal, 9. Washington as anywhere else, and one need not go near the land till it had been fifing was upon a spring, alluvial land, or flint cliffs. It would be a mystery till the

land had been visited.
Therefore, it has seemed to the officials at the General Land Office that either Original, there must be a practical lottery or a Total, 20. It would be just as much a lottery, un- nal, 1,

der present conditions, if the land is to be opened at the local Land Office with-out being seen, as though numbers were put in a wheel in the General Land Of-fice at Washington and the drawing made.

mation open the lands for inspection for 60 days prior to entry, and let everyone go upon the reservation, select his land. decide upon what he wants, settle differences as to who is in possession, and at the end of 60 days' period return to the local Land Office, line up, and make an entry in regular order upon the land seen and chosen. This method, while it would possibly not make so great a race into the territory as by opening the reservation as the "Cherokee Strip" was opened, would was opened, would

There will be two Land Offices con-venient to the roads, one at El Reno and suother near old Fort Sill. The actual sites have not yet been selected. In the filing of soldiers' declaratories the evidence needed is mainly an honora-ble discharge, or if the discharge is lost a certificate from the War Department that such a discharge was given to the soldier when he left the service.

#### PERSONAL.

Col. Edward C. James, one of the leading members of the New York bar, died at Palm Beach, Fla., March 21, of pneumonia. He left college to enter the 106th N. Y., of which regiment he be-came Colonel, and resigned Aug. 4, 1863. Col. Abraham K. Arnold's retirement

M. Bell, who is now a Brigadier-General of Volunteers in the Philippines, but about to start home for his new duties. He went out in 1862 as First Lieutenant in the 86th Ohio, then became a Captain in the 13th Pa. Cav., and after the war was given a Second Lieutenancy in the 7th U. S. Cav. He was Colonel of the 27th U. S. in the war with Spain.

It is likely that Gen. Bradley Winslow, Watertown, N. Y., will be elected to Congress, to succeed the late Representative Albert D. Shaw, He is a fine lawyer, and very popular. He went out in tive Albert D. Shaw. He is a fine lawyer, and very popular. He went out in
1861 as a Captain in the 35th N. Y., and
rose to be Lieutenant-Colonel of the reglment. He then resigned, and raised the
186th N. Y., of which he became Colonel,
and was brevetted Brigadier-General for
gallantry at the taking of Petersburg.

April 2, 1865.

What shall come in Going and Commander,
And we're sitting and and lone,
is it strange we acometimes wonder
it, too, justice has not goas?
With our dead and dear Commander
Soon we'll join the length along time.

Soon twill be reviewing time.

#### CHAT OF THE CORRIDORS.

It is believed that the President is hav ing as much trouble getting rid of Secre tary of State Hay as with Evans. The Hay-Paunceforte Treaty was only one of Mr. Hay's errors. It is said that the President would like to have Secretary Root for Secretary of State, and would like to provide a place in his Cabinet for Secretary Cortelyon. This may mean re tirement of Postmaster-General Smith.

Comrade W. F. Swan, of Theresa, N. Y., is in the city, visiting his brother. He served as a private in the 10th N. Y. H. A., clear through its service, and was as a Licutenant in the N. Y. N. G., for five years. He is a carpenter and joiner by trade, but is now in the fur business. to that annually seek rest and recuperation, or change of air, by a short residence of the control of the co

The indefatigable Jos. W. Kny, Past Commander of the Department of New York, was in the city last week, looking after the interests of some comrades in the New York Custom House, who are denied veterans' preference in the prospective reduction of the force.

Col. W. L. Curry, Columbus, O., Comvice. He had then attained the rank of First Lieutenant in command of his com-State during Mckinley's two terms as

virtue of such payment before its passage, are entitled to a homestead entry in the Kiowa and Comanche reservation under the "Second Homestead Act."

The Secretary of the Interior has not made a ruling upon this subject, but such questions are being answered in the General Land Office in the negative.

It is held, at the present time, that Oklahoma settlers who paid for their land either by commuting, or at the end of their homestead period, are not entitled to another homestead on the Kiowa and Comanche reservation. An official ruling he the Secretary of the An Assistant Chief Fire Marshal has recently made a thorough examination of the White Herion Communication of the Communicat

and Comanche reservation. An official rading by the Secretary, however, is expected upon this point at an early date, and this view of the case may or may not be sustained.

Questions have been asked as to whether the "Free Homes Act" passed last year, having been approved some three weeks prior to the act opening the Kiowa-Gomanche and Apache reservation, did of the night squads are vigilant and wake-In fact, they can't be otherwise, as

Army invalid (war with Spain): Origi-nal, 64; increase and additional, 1; dupli-

Army widow, etc.: Original, 67: inArmy widow, etc.: Original, 67: increase and additional, 3; reissue, 3; restoration and renewal, 2; duplicate, 1; accrued,
the country in a wagon, the tarantula
spider in the valleys just north of San
"Great Jebosaphat! Cyrus Eastman!

Total, 77. Army widow, etc. (act of June 27, 1890):

cissue, S. Total, 36. Navy invalid: Original, 2; increase and idditional, 3; reissue, 2; accrued, 2. To-

Army widow, etc. (act of June 27. Original, 15; increase and addiascertained whether or not he had drawn tional, 7; reissue, 2; restoration and reaprize. Again, no one would know what newal, 1; accrued, 10. Total, 35. sort of land he had drawn, whether his Navy invalid (war with Spain): Orig-Navy invalid (war with Spain): Orig-

Navy widow, etc.: Increase and ad-Navy widow (act of June 27, 1890): Original, 17; increase and additional, 3. Navy widow (war with Spain): Origi-

Army nurses: Original, 2. 1812 widows: Increase and additional, 1 Indian Wars-Survivors: Increase and

Totals: Original, 886; increase and additional, 865; reissue, 59; restoration and renewal, 56; restoration and renewal by transference, 16; restoration and renewal and reissue, etc., 12; supplemental, 3; du-plicate, 23; accrued, 347. Total, 2,267.

#### LINCOLN'S WORDS.

(B. H. Tripp, Marcus, Iowa.) Abraham Lincoln, loved commander Of the boys who were the blue, Each old soldler will remember make another race back from lands which had been settled upon to get into line carry at the local Land Office.

Each old soldler will remember All his words so kind and true. Words that may not now be uttered, But that live down in the heart But that live down in the heart,

From his lips like doves they fluttered To our hearts, ne'er to depart. From his eyes, so kindly beaming, As he rode slong the line, Words he could not speak were teeming

On a telephone divine. hus the words that he was thinking, Riding in the grand review, His great heart to ours were linking-Linked him to the lines of blue.

and through all the deadly conflict, When hope seemed about to fly, something more than human instinct Showed the beaming of his eye. hat to every weary soldier Brought the words he would have spoke-Words that made each spirit holder,

Peace-the country re-united. Peace—the country re-united.
Our loved banner floating free:
When secession wrong is righted.
Blessings wait for you and me.
These are words he often uttered.
Words that wait to be fulfilled;
Had he flyed for us 'twere better,
But we bow to Father's will.

Words of promise, peace and hope

In our hearts to-day they linger Like the fragrance of a flower-Shod a sweetness pure and tender By some strange and magic power New, no eyes like thine are beaming

The Big Spiders a Source of Profit to Californians.

By ERNEST HORSFALL RYDALL.

Some few hundred of the enterprising people who have turned their faces from old world and the densely-populated the old world and the densely-populated finds a congenial habitat in the barren districts of the East to the Land of the California plains. This is the "trap-door" Setting Sun, the rugged mountains and spider. valleys of California, are sustained by cation, or change of air, by a short residence pry up his entire residence with a chisel in the balmy climate of the Pacific.

pry up his entire residence with a chisel or cut it out with a knife. His domicile,

Large curio stores exist in San Franrisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego for the purpose of gratifying this taste of the native products sold, but the merchants fore the advance of civilization, are passengaged in this curio business are found ing away, becoming annually, on account periodically going to Japan, Old Mexico, and Alaska to purchase large stocks of missioner of Soldier Claims of Onio, has been in the city, in connection with his business. Col. Curry served three years in the splendid old 1st Ohio Cav., being discharged in December, 1864, on account of a severe wound and expiration of server wound and expiration of server.

To cater to these local institutions a pany. Despite his long service, he is as bright, alert and capabe as any man, and is doing a world of good service for the Ohio veterans. He gets his title as Colonel from his commission in the Ohio veterans, and also from services wood, making it up into pin-cushions and trifles to attract the traveler's eye. They National Guard, and also from services as Assistant Adjutant-General of the wood, and sell the beautiful pampas



CALIFORNIA CURIOSITIES,

plumes, a large plantation of which exists at Norwalk, some 15 miles from Los The great question as to how the Kiowa and Comanche reservation shall be opened is still the subject of much discussion in the Interior Department and considerable of the current of th islands of the Pacific Ocean.

Very few live wild creatures used to

Work of the Pension Office.

exist in California, because at one time the State was merely the limit of the week ending March 30 shows:

Army invalid: Original, 27; Increase and additional, 212; reissue, 27; restoration and renewal, 9; restoration and retion and re-

spider in the valleys just north of San-Diego abounded so that the ground was Original, 346; increase and additional, 10; covered with them, so much so that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from duplicate, 2; accrued, 6. Total, 371.

Covered with them, so much so that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from the conveyance, for fear of being bitten "Heh?—what's that, Lemuel?" demands the conveyance, for fear of being bitten that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from the conveyance, for fear of being bitten that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from the conveyance, for fear of being bitten that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from the conveyance, for fear of being bitten that the should live to see it. A man with passengers were unable to descend from the conveyance, for fear of being bitten that the conveyance is the conveyance with the conveyance is the conveyance with the conveyance is the conveyance with the convey Army widow, etc. (war with Spain): by these pugnacious wretches. He gave Original, 24: increase and additional, 4: me an account of his experience as a tame an account of his experience as a ta-rantula-hunter and purveyor to the local blood-shot eyes. "Did I understand you merchants who supply the museums and to say that I looked like Abe Lincoln?" colleges of the Western World with specimens of this strange insect.

The tarantula is still found on the un-cultivated plains of California, but where the plow has been he is not. Living in a hole in the ground of his own manufacture he constructs a web at the entrance to catch the festive insect. Every now and then he comes up to examine his trap and devour the unfortunate. Crickets, flies, bugs, etc., are all fish for his net There, all alone, for the tarantula, unlike man, is too belligerent in his nature to enjoy a companion, he eats his lonely

The hunter, finding a hole in the ground, pours some water down his wagon being at hand loaded with a supput in a wheel in the General Land Orfice at Washington and the drawing made.
It is a matter of chance in either case.
If the land is to be practically closed to settlers till after they have made their entries the whole thing is practically a latter.

Mexican War: Survivors: Increase and additional, 2. Total, 13.

Mexican War—Widows: Original, 2.

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Mexican War—w ply of water for the purpose; the creature

merous diminutive progeny all jump upon her back, and thus loaded she bolts back to the family residence and remains until

danger is over. The tarantula lives alone, each individual adult spider seeking in due time its own separate residence, for their quarrelsome dispositions prevent their dwelling in harmony together. A male spider will not even live with a

After a few hundred live tarantulas been collected together, each in its individual box, for it is a case of "When Greek meets Greek then comes the tug of war," and the survival of the fittest, if they are placed together, the collection is forwarded to the naturalist, who removes the intestines from each spider and stuffs the skin of the creature with cotton. It is then mounted on cardboard and left to dry for a mouth. Then it is ready for the college professor in the East or elsewhere who desires to add tarantulas to his collection, or for the sale of the curio merchants of the California towns.

The operation of taxidermy involved is

annoying, because the fuzz blown from the insect causes irritation of the skin; so that, even with the best of remedies at hand, the operator has frequently to leave work for several days to recover from the irritating effects of the tarantula poison. While the bite of a tarantula is not fatal, it is certainly, according to reports, painful and distressing; doubtless a nip received from one while being taken by the pincers, when filled with wrath at his arrest, would result in extreme suffering, yet the reputation for fatality that has gone forth respecting the bite of the spider is, doubtless, entirely grounded on the imagination.

Tarantulas grow to the enormous size Tarantulas grow to the enormous size of four inches in length from head to tail. They have eight legs, four on each side, with which they get over the ground very ington, D. C."

rapidly. The California tarantula matures in three years! A full-grown dead taran-tula reposing upon a cardboard properly mounted is worth in the open market 25 cents, but a five, active member of the tribe, freshly caught and inclosed in a box, has a net value to the hunter of two

and a half cents. with all kinds of antidotes for relief, how much more terrified must the people in past ages have been who knew of no remedy, and were therefore compelled to dance around in misery until the painful effect of the poison had ceased.

There is another interesting spider that finds a consenial habitat in the barren

This individual creates a dungeon in the

however, is as much an object of interest to the entomologist as himself. California produces snakes, centipedes, purpose of gratifying this taste of the scorpions, lizards and horned toads. As tourist. In these not only are samples of stated before, these, like the Indians, beof their scarcity, more and more objects

#### SAVING RESEMBLANCE.

His Likeness to the Martyr President Worked His Reformation.

By JAMES BUC. HAM.

Cyrus Eastman, the village storekeeper, was left alone in the world. He had lived to see all his children buried; and

good, up to the time of his wife's death. But when the tremendous test of utter heart-loneliness came upon him, he went under. A lurking hereditary appetite seized him like a starved panther. His father and grandfather before him had been drinking men; and now, having abstained all his life, Cyrus suddenly bethought him of liquor. It was said to drown sorrow; to deaden sensibility and panionship; to lend color to the faded remnant of hite. That thought was his undoing. Within six months it became evident that the old storekeener was the color to the faded and the color to the faded remnant of hite. evident that the old storekeeper was "go-ing to the bad."

Now what is commonly done, in such cases, in a country village? What do the neighbors do? What does the church do? What does the minister do? The do? do? What does the minister do? The neighbors sigh, and pull long faces, and declare it is a pity. The church, is quietly as possible, disencumbers itself of the sinner—shakes him off, acquires, as soon as may be, the relief of his room in place of his company. The minister feels in duty bound to go to the man and make one or two perfutctory professional re-monstrances. Then he, too, joins him-self to those who pass by on the other side. And the lonely man goes down into the depths of an added loneliness and drinks the deeper to provide him-elf with phantom companionship.

self with phantem companionship.

Cyrus Eastman was at just this stage of his moral decline, when there came to trade with him, from one of the hill towns, a certain honest old farmer-patron quantity.

I have just had an interview with a gentleman who makes it his business to supply naturalists and curio merchants with these singular specimens of Califor. al, 64; increase and additional, 1; dupli-ate, 1. Total, 66.

Army widow, etc.: Original, 67: in
the Golden State.

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You drunk? I never would a believed I should live to see it. A man with an "Heh?-what's that, Lemuei?" demanded Cyrus, grasping the edge of the coun-

"Just as like as two peas, Cyrus! Hasn't nobody ever remarked on't before? Why, I do b'lieve, if old Abe was alive today, he'd want to go and change his name, you look so much more like his own pic-tures than he does! Yes, sir, you're Abe Lincoln all over, and how any man with such an Abe Lincoln face can go and git drunk, and disgrace every picture that hangs on the walls next to George Wash-

ington's I don't see."

"Lemuel," replied the storekeeper, tottering backward to the support of a sugar barrel, "I am going to think over what you've said. Abe Lincoln was the grandest man that ever lived in God's world, and if I do look like him, I've got to be a decenter man, sure enough.

"Land! look like him?" cried the old irmer. "See that overhangin' nose of "Land! look like him?" cried the old farmer. "See that overhangin' nose of yourn. Look at that mole on your right cheek. Look at them short-cropped chimwhiskers! No man ever lived that looked so much like Abe Lincoln as you do. It's an honor, Cyrus, a great honor—and a great resuousibility."

"I consider it a crime to experiment with the health of the people" says Prof. Thomas F. Adkin, President of the Institute of Physicians and Surgeons. "If I did not know positively and absolutely that my new home treatment will cure every known disease even when all other methods of treatment fall I would consider I was committing a great resuousibility."

Before the good and wise Samaritan

"Jest kind of remark to Cyrus Eastman, when it comes convenient," he said, "how much he looks like Abe Lincolu. I have a notion, from something he said to me, that 't would kind of help him to leave off liquor. He don't like the idea of disgracin' old Abe."

From that time on the old storekeeper

From that time on the old storekeeper was not allowed to forget the honorable resemblance that he bore to the great and good Martyr President. One after another of the leading men in town seemed to be suddenly struck by it; and more than once, when Cyrus in his weakness was gravitating toward a relapse, he was was gravitating toward a relapse, he was reminded and restrained by the timely recognition of his likeness to his special hero. Somebody discovered when the old man's birthday was coming around, and the village people made it a memorable anniversary by presenting him with a finely-framed engraving of Lincoln. That event marked the end of Cyrus Eastman's moral decline. His Abe Lincoln face moral decline. His Abe Lincoln face had saved him.

Unanimously Indorsed for Vice Commander in-Chief.

At the 19th Annual Encampment of the Department of Arkansas, G. A. R. held at Hot Springs, March 29-30, the fol lowing resolution was unanimously adopt-

"Resolved. That the Delegates from this Department to the National Encamp-ment, G. A. R., at Cleveland, O., be instructed to vote for and use every hon

THE FIELD OF DONELSON.

Important Victory Won After Suffering and Fortitude EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Comrade

Wm. J. Hiff, 11th Ill., whose regiment lost 72 men killed at Fort Donelson, himself While we may shrink in terror from being one of the wounded, says he has the bite of a tarantula, armed as we are made several trips South since the war. After having visited the Donelson battlefield and National Cemetery, he was surprised to find there were no meauments erected in honor of those who fell there.

The battle of Fort Donelson was the first great victory achieved by the Union army during the civil war. Gen. Grant, with 13,000 men, attacked and invested 21,000 Confederates at this place. They were commanded by communders the were commanded by commanders like Floyd, Pillow, Buckner, and Forrest, and behind strong intrenchments.

While on the march from Fort Henry, Feb. 13, the weather was baimy and like Spring. The inexperienced troops threw away extra clothing, including overcoats. Before 24 hours they were so ely in used Before 24 hours they were so ely in need of this clothing, as there had been a d.op in the temperature of 50 degrees.

Grant, having posted his army squarely in front of Floyd's, at the time one third larger than Grant's, spent Thursday reconnoitering and pushing forward his line, which resulted in sharp skirmishes. The rable realized their mistakein say at of their scarcity, more and more objects of interest; so much so that a number of people devote their entire time to the business of hunting them, and find therein ample remuneration for their time, effort and expense.

which resulted in sharp sammanes. The rebels realized their mistake in not attacking Grant while on the march from Fort Henry. They now made vigorous use of the spade, but with all the entanglements of abatis and outworks they railed to keep our mon back. By night Gen. and fort on the hights above at close range, but failed to inflict serious damage except to silence the water battery.

After a short engagement he withdrew his fleet in a damaged condition, having lost 54 men, himself included among the Grant ordered Willard's Battery from Fort Henry and the strongest company of the 32d III. to escort it. This company

was my company.

This battery reached the battlefield in at last he had followed to the grave the faithful partner of his joys and sorrows. Alone in the world! Is there any more terrible test of manhood and womanhood than is expressed by those brief, familiar words? If there lurks a greater or more insidious temptation to evil in any mortal circumstance, God deliver from it all of us who are wavering under the stress of life!

Cyrus had been a good man, strenuously good, up to the time of his wife's death.

This battery reached the battlefield in the nick of time. The rebels, after having all the nick of time. The powers, concluded they works, concluded they works, concluded they work guns warm by the faithful management of his men until the rebels were driven back into their works.

At daylight Grant received an urgent request from Commodore Foote for conremeat from Commodore Foote for con-sultation regarding the disposition of his crippled fleet.

The historian Headley says Grant did not return from this conference until 3

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erous Offer of Prof. Adkin.



PROF. THOS. F. ADKIN.

"I consider it a crime to experiment with at a respectful distance, he is placed in a small cardboard box. There he will exist without food, water, or exercise for three months, if required.

Should the hunter pour water down the hole and then absent himself, upon his return within five minutes he will discover that the industrious insect has built another web over the entrance and is below, awaiting, as usual, the arrival of prey. The mother tarantula makes a little soft bag of spun silk, in which she deposits her 25 eggs. With her young she off ventures to the happy hunting grounds above, but upon the least alarm the numerous diminutive progeny all jump upon her back, and thus loaded she bolts helts. who know Prof. Adkin, and have tried his treatment can vouch for their absolute

Before the good and wise Samaritan from the hills returned to his mountain farm, he took the trouble to see most of the prominent men of the village, and make a suggestion:

"Jest kind of remark to Cyrus Eastman, when it comes convenient," he said, "how much he looks like Abe Lincoln. I have the looks like Abe Lincoln like the looks like Abe Lincoln like like the looks like Abe Lincoln like the loo a state of mind I was in. I could not attend to business and began to think my days were numbered. I read of the wonderful cures Prof. Adkin had effected by his great discovery, Vitaopathy, and as a foriorn hope wrote to him just the condition I was in, mentally and physically. He gave me a clear diagnosis of my case, and didn't charge me a cent for it. He prescribed a treatment which I began with little or no faith, but I am happy to state that I am now completely cured and sm a firm believer in Vitaopathy. From my own personal experience I believe Prof. Adkin can almost raise the dead."

nise the dead."

Mrs. A. J. Selfried, Stowe Creek, Ohio,

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o'clock p. m. This statement is far from correct. At 9 o'clock a. m. Grant arrived at that part of the line where the enemy was pressing McClernand, and learned from a prisoner that the rebels had on their haversacks, and three day's rations in them. The enemy's purpose flashed upon Grant's mind.

He said that men defending a fort did not carry three days' rations, especially when making a charge; that the rebels had been endeavoring to cut their way out, and would not hesitate now if they were not badly crippled. Whichever attacked now would whip. The master, with keen foresight, detected the suprems moment. Now he ordered a general assault along the whole line. Only the promptness of Grant's movement made him successful. At this time he was near Wallace, and sent word to C. F. Smith that victorious rebel army to stop them before they had taken Nashville. Louis-ville, Cinclmnati, and possibly Chicago. Gen. Grant would have had to send troops to head them off with what assistance A. J. Smith's Corps would have given. Comrade Frederick will have to be better posted than he is to write about that brigade not getting to the works. We started for the works and col. Hugh Garland's sword? Comrade Castle is too modest in his claims for Opdycke's Brigade.—J. E. Merant-Field. Co. C. Sth Ill., 2629 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

Officers of a Michigan Corps.

Ryder Corps, 201, Deardeld, Mich.—Tes., Mrs. Louis, St. Louis, St. Louis, Mrs. Louis, St. Louis, Mrs. Louy Tappins; S. V. P., Mrs. Martha to attack. In response to this order. to attack. In response to this order, Smith placed himself between the columns of the 2d Iowa and succeeded in driving all before him with his division. Five

color-bearers of the 2d Iowa were shot Wallace and McClernand had made substantial progress in their attack, but it was evident that another night of it use suffering would close in upon them before the enemy would see the necessity of sur-

rendering.

Never since the invasion of Russia b Napoleon had troops endured such hard-ships. Never at Borodino or Smolinsko had troops displayed such undoubted courage as did Gen. Grant's army at Fort For three days and nights, without shell

ter or fire, were they exposed to the fury of the elements. Some uncorupul us his-torians have recorded that Grant had 40, 000 men at Fort Donelson. To set the matter right, he had only about 20,000 during the fight. These historians included all reinforcements enroute for the battlefield, which did not arrive until after the surrender. Fort Donelson was the gateway to the South. A. S. Johnston, defferson Davies favorite General, was in command of the Western Department of the Confederacy. Johnston said he would defend Nashville at Fort Donelson. The loss of Fort Donelson was irrepara ble. It was a loss of territory almost as great as that of England and France

When Shiloh and Vicksburg shall have military parks laid out and monuments marking the location of State troo s, then perhaps Illinois, like other States, will take the initiative of erecting monuments on the field of Donelson.—John R. Palmer, Normal, Ill.

Into the Works.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Why is it old soldiers will write an article about a battle and tell something about some commands that they are as ignorant about as if they had been a clerk in a shoe store in the Klendike. Comrade J. Frederick, Co. B, 50th Ohio, Dawson, O., tells what he knew and saw at the buttle of Frank he knew and saw at the buttle of Frank-lin, Tenn. Comrade Frederick may think he is telling the truth. His praise of Opdycke's Brigade at that battle, in the issue of Feb. 21, leads me to believe he is trying to give this brigade full benefit for their gallant charge on that battle-field; but when he says Opdycke's Brigade prays reached the works but was 26 never reached the works, but was 70 yards from them, I, as a member of that brigade, says he does not know the situa

tion and never did.

That brigade of seven depleted regiments did charge up to the works, take all prisoners who were inside the works, and huddle them behind the cotton-gin, out of danger. The brigade stood up at those works and repulsed charge after charge. I know I went over the works miss the dead."

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